

Boston 1st m 5 1838

Maria W Chapman

Esteemed friend

On my return to New Bedford I found your favor advising me there were then seven vacant places on your Subscription paper, besides the two. — Having been detained here longer than I expected to be, and there being very pressing engagements at home, I have as yet succeeded in getting only one subscription ^{that} for \$20. — A Gilman, and for that I have not received the money, but shall when I next meet him in the Cars. —

I have mentioned the subject to several others, and may succeed better next week.

Yours very respectfully
Edw L Baker



March 1st 1861
Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th inst. in relation to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of ... I am sorry to hear that you are unable to purchase the land at the price you offered. I have, however, no objection to your withdrawing your offer, and I will be glad to return to you the money you have advanced for the purchase of the land. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
J. H. ...



Edward L. Baker
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Mrs. Maria H. Chapman



Weymouth Landing

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